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MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS PRACTICAL SKILL LEVEL OF CONSCIOUSNESS

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ASSESSMENT

Purpose:		Indications:		
To enable providers to consistently assess and document a		All patients will have mental status assessed		
patient's level of consciousness				
Advantages:	Disadvantages:		Complications:	Contraindications:
Simple, standardized, consistent units	None		None	None
AVPU assesses mental status of all patients				
Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS) is an additional tool				
providing indication of clinical outcome in a patient				
with a <i>traumatic</i> chief complaint				

